

OVERSEAS DIRECT INVESTMENT

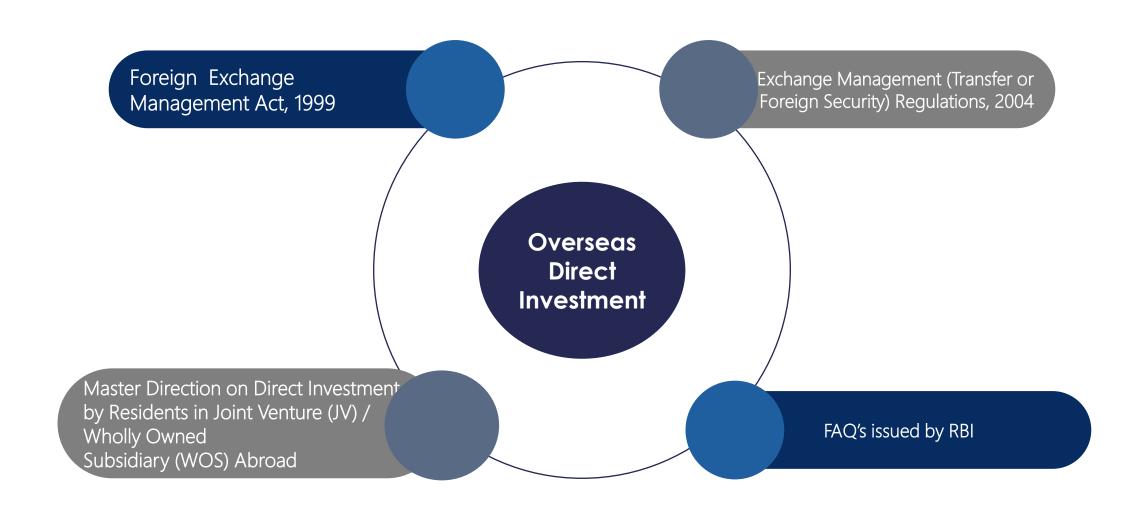
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Valuation Examination Syllabus

Reserve Bank of India and Regulations under Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999:

- FEMA (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident Outside India), Regulations, 2017;
- Foreign Direct Investment (Pricing Guidelines);
- Direct Investment by Residents in Joint Venture/ Wholly Owned Subsidiary abroad;
- Prudential Norms for Classification, Valuation and
- Operation of Investment Portfolio by Banks; Guidelines on Sale of Stressed Assets by Banks

Legislation



Eligible Investors

Company Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) Registered Partnership Firm Resident Individual Partnership Firm/ Proprietary concern Registered Trust & Society Individuals

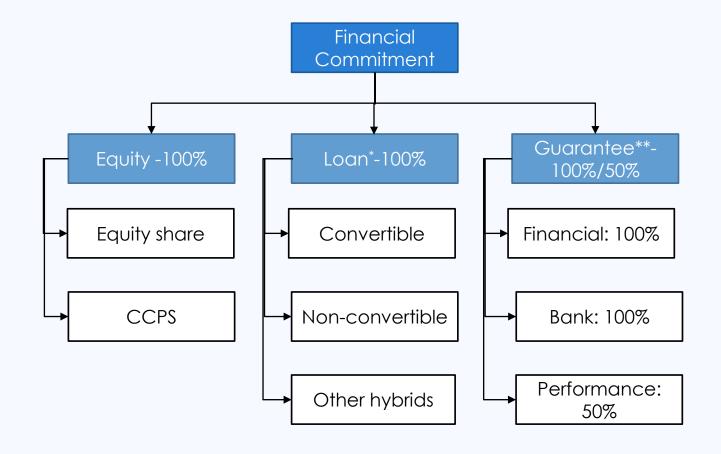
Eligible Investment

- Direct Investment
- Financial Commitment (Joint Ventures or Wholly Owned Subsidiary)

Direct Investment



Financial Commitment



^{*}Indian party may extend loan/guarantee only to overseas JV/WOS in which it has equity participation. Otherwise approval route.

^{**}No guarantee should be "open ended" i.e. the amount & period of the guarantee should be specified upfront

Overseas Investment

Route

General Permission

Automatic Route

- All transactions should be routed through 1 branch of AD
- Investment in Nepal permitted only in INR & in Bhutan both INR & FCC

Approval Route

Specified Sectors under approval route:

- Real Estate
 - 'Real estate business' means buying and selling of real estate or trading in TDRs but does not include development of townships, construction of residential/commercial premises, roads or bridges
- Banking business

Approval for investment in following countries:

• Pakistan

Financial Commitment

Indian party is permitted to make investment in Overseas JV or WOS, maximum of the following:

- 400% of the Net Worth as on the date of last audited balance sheet
- Balance held in Exchange Earners Foreign Currency Account (EEFC)
- Funds raised through ADRs or GDRs

Net Worth = Paid up capital plus free reserves

Total Financial Commitment = 100% Equity Shares + 100% CCPS + 100 PS + 100% Loan + 100% Guarantee + 100% Bank guarantee issued by resident bank on behalf of JV or WOS + 50% of the performance guarantee

Note: Financial commitment exceeding USD 1 Billion in Financial Year would require prior RBI permission (Even if total FC is within limits)

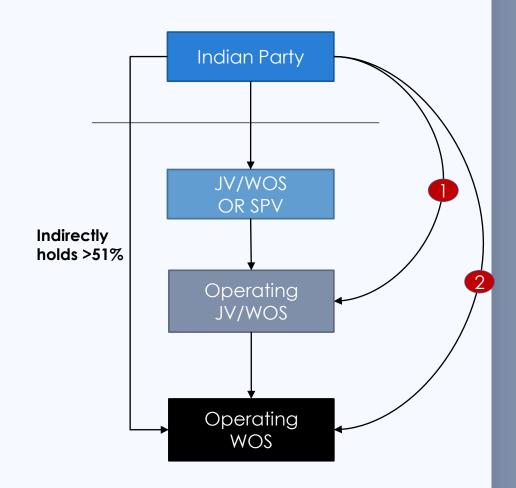
Method of Funding

- Drawl of Foreign Exchange from the AD bank in India
- Capitalization of exports
- Swap of Shares (Valuation by Category 1 Merchant Banker or an Investment Banker outside India)
- Utilisation of proceeds of ECB/FCCBs/FCEB
- In exchange of ADRs/GDRs
- Balance held in EEFC account
- Proceeds of foreign currency funds raised through ADR/GDR
- ➤ Valuation: Investment in **shares of existing company**
- > USD 5 Mn: SEBI regd. Category I Merchant Banker or Investment Banker/ Merchant Banker registered in country of ODI
- < USD 5 Mn: Valuation by CA/ CPA</p>
- ➤In case of **Swap of Shares** the valuation will have to be done by a Merchant Banker registered with SEBI or an Investment Banker/Merchant Banker outside India registered with the appropriate regulatory authority in the host country

Guarantee to step down subsidiary

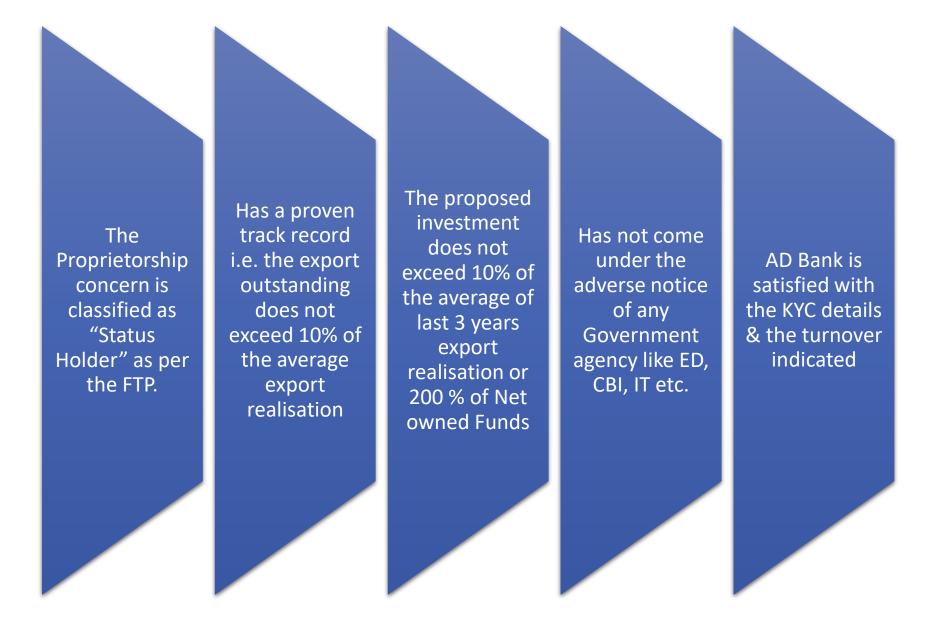
Corporate guarantee to step down subsidiary of JV/WOS:

- First level step down operating JV /WOS <u>under automatic route</u>
- Second level step down operating subsidiary provided Indian Party indirectly holds >=51% in such subsidiary <u>under the approval</u>
 <u>route</u>



Overseas Investments by Proprietary Concerns

Proprietorship and unregistered partnership firm are eligible for ODI under approval route.



Disinvestment without write off

Without prior approval the Indian party can disinvest subject to following conditions:

- The sale is effected through stock exchange (if listed)
- The shares price is not less than the value certified by CA or CPA based on latest audited financials (In case of unlisted)
- Indian party does not have any outstanding dues from the JV or WOS
- The overseas concern has been in operation for atleast 1 full year and the APR together with the audited accounts has been submitted to RBI.
- No pending investigation by CBI/ DoE/SEBI/ IRDA etc

In cases other than above, RBI approval required.

Reporting:

The Indian party is required to submit details of disinvestment within 30 days from the date of disinvestment.

Repatriation of sale proceeds to India within 90 days of sale

Disinvestment involving write off

Without prior approval the Indian party can disinvest involving write off in the following cases:

- Indian Listed Company
 - Net worth \geq 100 crore
 - Net worth < 100 crore but ODI investment < USD 10mn
- Unlisted Company with ODI investment < USD 10mn

In cases other than above, RBI approval required.

Conditions:

- The sale is effected through stock exchange (if listed)
- The shares price is not less than the value certified by CA or CPA based on latest audited financials (In case of unlisted)
- Indian party does not have any outstanding dues from the JV or WOS
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Restructuring involving write off

- Write off permitted for Indian promoters holding at least 51% stake in overseas JV/WOS
- Write off of capital (Equity/preference shares) or other receivables such as loans, royalty, technical knowhow fees and management fees even while JW/WOS continues to function.
- Maximum permissible write off limits:

Listed Indian company: up to 25% of equity investment in the JV/WOS (under automatic route)

Unlisted Indian company: up to 25% of equity investment in the JV/WOS (under approval route)

Reporting:

The Indian party is required to submit details of disinvestment within 30 days from the date of write off/ restructuring with the copy of Balance Sheet of the overseas JV/ WOS showing loss & projection for the next 5 years years indicating benefit of write-off/ restructuring to India company

Obligation of Indian Investor

- **Proof:** Receive share certificate or any other document as an evidence of investment within 6 months
- **Dues:** Repatriate to India the dues receivable from foreign entity like dividend, royalty, technical fees etc. within 60 days of it falling due
- **Post Investment changes:** The details of of the set up subsidiary/ alter the shareholding patterns/ diversify the activities has to be intimated to RBI within 30 days of the approval.

Reporting Requirements

- Form ODI Part 1—Application for allotment of Unique Identification Number (UNI) & reporting of Remittances/ Transactions
- Form ODI Part 2 Obligation to submit Annual Performance Report (APR) by 30th June every year
- Form ODI Part 3 Report on Disinvestment

Thank you

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